

CONSULTANT CONTRACT

Consultant: Aztec Engineering

Scope: The Consultant will perform a West Los Angeles Multimodal Transfer Transit Facility Site Study around the I-10/I-405 intersection. The purpose of the study is to identify potential locations, facility requirements and other strategic needs in order to link multiple modes of transportation to a more centralized feeder hub for the West Los Angeles area, in coordination with agencies, businesses and community stakeholders.

Contract Amount:	Total not to exceed	\$300,000
	Aztec Engineering (prime)	\$149,700
	Gruen Associates (subcontractor)	\$ 54,900
	STV, Inc. (subcontractor)	\$ 50,160
	The Robert Group (subcontractor)	\$ 45,240

Contract Period: Notice to Proceed through 12 months

Work Element: 06-195.SCGC1 \$300,000 Funding Sources: CPG
Budget for FY 2006/7 Pending

Request for Proposal: RFP No. 06-018 was issued on June 7, 2005, and 220 consultants were contacted in addition to the RFP being posted on SCAG's web site. Four firms submitted written proposals to perform the work:

Aztec (3 subcontractors)	\$300,000
IBI Group (3 subcontractors)	\$299,500
Katz, Okitsu Associates (2 subcontractors)	\$294,688
Korve Engineering (3 subcontractors)	\$294,396

Selection Process: The Proposal Review Committee (PRC) evaluated all four proposals in accordance with the criteria set forth in the RFP, and the selection process was conducted in a manner consistent with all applicable Federal and State contracting regulations. Interviews were held with all four of the offerors.

The PRC was comprised of the following individuals:

Sarah Adams, SCAG
Zahi Faranesh, SCAG
Eyvonne Sells, AQMD
Leann Williams, Caltrans

Basis for Selection: Aztec Engineering was selected as the consultant for this contract. Aztec brings a highly qualified team of consultants with a deep understanding of multimodal transit stations. Aztec also delivered the

most balance portfolio of experience overall, with each member of the team offering strong expertise. Furthermore, Aztec demonstrated the greatest depth and breadth of understanding of the various alternatives that could be used to address specific physical and operational needs of a multimodal transit station site in West LA. Aztec developed the confidence of the interview panel during interview by providing substantial assurance of an innovative and thorough analysis.

Aztec has assembled a highly qualified team with the necessary expertise to complete each of the tasks defined in the RFP. Aztec, as the prime contractor, has worked with SCAG and other agencies on several similar projects including Ontario Ground Access Plan, RTP Update and Implementation, EXPO Line Consulting, LAX Master Plan and EIR/EIS, California Maglev Deployment Project, San Fernando Valley East-West Transit MIS, Blue Line Light Rail Project and several others in the southern California region.

STV as a subconsultant offers sound technical expertise in planning, designing, building, operating and maintaining rail systems and facilities. They have experience on several similar projects including LAUPT Mission Tower cutover and track reconfiguration, Mineola Station Intermodal Center, Metro-North Station Parking Improvement Study, Waterbury Transportation Center Feasibility Study, Wonderland Transit Oriented Development.

Gruen Associates has extensive experience in West Los Angeles. Past projects include Westwood Village Specific Plan, Exposition Park Branch Line Rail, San Fernando Valley East-West Transit Corridor MIS, Santa Monica Boulevard Transit Parkway Design, Lincoln Corridor Mobility Study, Orange County Bus Rapid Transit Station Plan, Metro Gold Line and several others.

Finally, The Robert Group, a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE), is a public affairs firm with special expertise in community outreach, strategic communications and political advocacy. Past projects include Mid-City Exposition Light Rail, San Fernando Valley North/South Transit Corridor study, Santa Monica Boulevard Transit Parkway and LAX-Palmdale Maglev Feasibility Study. The Robert Group will receive 15% of the overall contract funding fulfilling the 14% RFP requirement for DBE participation.

Importantly, Aztec will involve the public and community groups throughout the process. Their integrated and hands-on approach to stakeholder involvement provides convenient and ample opportunities for input from field experts, public and stakeholder groups. Their outreach may include a website, various workshops, multiple one-on-one meetings with surrounding business enterprises and communities and a graphic presentation of "the face" of the

multimodal station.

Aztec also showed thorough understanding of the challenges that may be faced on this type of study and provided clear solutions to those potential challenges and a defined system for solving unforeseen problems while maintaining the described schedule. They provided innovative foresight into the process of community outreach and project financing. Their budget and schedule were within established guidelines.